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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Washington 25, D. C.

MEMORANDUM FOR: EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
BOARD ON GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

SUBJECT: Authorization to Initiate NIS Geographic Name Projects

1. The Central Intelligence Agency hereby authorizes the U. S. Board of Geographic Names to undertake preliminary name research and encumber CIA working funds for such purposes, on those areas, and in order of priority as indicated in paragraph 3, below.

2. It is requested that:

a. Appropriate action be taken so that the resultant work on the designated areas will have the status of "Official Standard Names" of the U. S. Board on Geographic Names.

b. Initial work be confined to the preparation of preliminary gazetteers for the designated areas. Specifications and authorization for component projects within these areas will be furnished at a later date.

3. The NIS areas for which the above actions are authorized are listed as follows:

a.

b.

c.

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